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COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

February 2, 1977

Mr. E. H. Knoche Acting Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Knoche:

I want to thank you for your willingness to testify before the Subcommittee on African Affairs, of which Senator Dick Clark is Chairman, in a closed session at 9 a.m., Wednesday, February 9, 1977.

The Subcommittee is holding hearings on February 9 and 10, 1977, on S. 174, a bill to amend the United Nations Participation Act of 1945 to halt the importation of Rhodesian chrome. I am enclosing a copy of the bill for your information. We would appreciate a briefing from you on the current situation in Rhodesia -- economic, political and military and on possible future developments there. Any information you might have on the reliability of access to Rhodesian chrome and ferrochrome would also be helpful.

If you have any further questions or desire assistance, please call Mr. Seth Tillman of the Committee staff on 224-5381, or Mrs. Marianne Spiegal on 224-3254.

Sincerely,

John Sparkman Chairman

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S. 174

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 11 (legislative day, JANUARY 10), 1977

Mr. Clark (for himself, Mr. Brooke, Mr. Cranston, Mr. Humphrey, Mr. Javits, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. McGovern, and Mr. Percy) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

A BILL

To amend the United Nations Participation Act of 1945 to halt the importation of Rhodesian chrome.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress-assembled,
- 3 That section 5 of the United Nations Participation Act of
- 4:1945 (22 U.S.C. 287c) is amended—
- 5 (1) by adding at the end of subsection (a) the
- 6 following new sentence: "Any Executive order which
- 7 is issued under this subsection and which applies meas-
- 8 ures against Southern Rhodesia pursuant to any United
- 9 Nations Security Council resolution may be enforced,
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1 (2) by adding at the end thereof the following	
2 new subsection:	
3 "(c) (1) During the period in which measures are ap-	
4 plied against Southern Rhodesia under subsection (a) pur-	
5 suant to any United Nations Security Council resolution,	
6 a shipment of any steel mill product (as such product may	
7 be defined by the Secretary) containing chromium in any	
8 form may not be released from customs custody for entry	
9 into the United States if—	
(A) a certificate of origin with respect to such	
shipment has not been filed with the Secretary; or	
"(B) in the case of a shipment with respect to	
which a certificate of origin has been filed with the	
14 Secretary, the Secretary determines that the informa-	
tion contained in such certificate does not adequately	
16 establish that the steel mill product in such shipment	
17 does not contain chromium in any form which is of	
18 Southern Rhodesian origin;	
19 unless such release is authorized by the Secretary under	
20 paragraph (3) (B) or (C).	
21 "(2) The Secretary shall prescribe regulations for	٠
22 carrying out this subsection.	
23 "(3) (A) In carrying out this subsection, the Secretary	
24 may issue subpenas requiring the attendance and testimony	
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- 1 pena may, upon application by the Secretary, be enforced in
- 2 a civil action in an appropriate United States district court.
- 3 "(B) The Secretary may exempt from the certification
- 4 requirements of this subsection any shipment of a steel mill
- 5 product containing chromium in any form which is in transit
- 6 to the United States on the date of enactment of this
- 7 subsection.
- s "(C) Under such circumstances as he deems appropri-
- 9 ate, the Secretary may release from customs custody for
- 10 entry into the United States, under such bond as he may
- 11 require, any shipment of a steel mill product containing
- 12 chromium in any form.
- "(4) As used in this subsection—
- "(A) The term 'certificate of origin' means such
- certificate as the Secretary may require, with respect
- to a shipment of any steel mill product containing
- chromium in any form, issued by the government (or by
- a designee of such government if the Secretary is satis-
- fied that such designee is the highest available certifying
- authority) of the country in which such steel mill product
- was produced certifying that the steel mill product in
- such shipment contains no chromium in any form which
- 23 is of Southern Rhodesian origin.

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"(B) The term 'Secretary' means the Secretary of Approved For Release 2004/03/23: CIA-RDP80M00165A001700140011-0 the Treasury.".

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By Mr. Clark, Mr. Brooke, Mr. Cranston, Mr. To amend the United Nations Participation Act of 1945 to halt the importation of Humphrey, Mr. Javits, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Rhodesian chrome.

McGovern, and Mr. Percy

Read twice and referred to the Committee on JANUARY 11 (legislative day, JANUARY 10), 1977

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